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From: Amy Gregorius <amygregorius@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 5:24 AM
Subject: 7-11 Proposal Re-zoning

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That being said, this year was different as I have been working from home due to the pandemic. I got to experience more of the day to day events in this town. One being protests down Post Road. Some call them peaceful but I personally did not. I live close to the road and it would take just one person to shatter my window and steal from me/harm me. This fear was fueled by vandalism and stolen cars in my complex. I have purchased many cameras inside/outside my home since.

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Please vote NO.

Wishing you all a healthy holiday season.

Ginsberg, Jeremy

From: Jean Michaelson <jean.michaelson@me.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 9:00 AM
To: Ginsberg, Jeremy
Subject: Planning and Zoning for 7/11 and gas station at Duchess location

To Whom it may concern,

I just read about the proposal to put in a gas station and 7/11 in the old Duchess location off of Exit 13. I strongly oppose to this lot being used for something that our town does Not need. We already have 3 gas stations on this side of town, and having a 24 hour gas station when there are two 24/7 gas stations on the rest stops of 95 is such a ludicrous idea. The traffic, safety and overall aesthetics of Darien will be deeply harmed with putting this type of establishment in Darien. It benefits no one but maybe the pockets of whomever is considering this idea. I live off Birch Road, and we already get a lot of cut through traffic, not to mention criminals who hop off of 95 at 13, and then hop back on. Please explain why the town thinks this is a good idea for the tax paying residents of this town?!

I will be starting a petition once I inform the neighbors on this side of town.

It's such a disgrace that this "poorly planned" idea is even a consideration by our town.

What's next?!!!!!

Jean Michaelson

1 Woods End Road

Darien CT

I can be reached on my cell

914-414-0374 to discuss in further detail Sent from my iPhone

Ginsberg, Jeremy

From: Peter Berardino <peterberardino@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 2:54 PM
To: Ginsberg, Jeremy
Subject: 7-11

Hi...

My name is Peter Berardino (27 Shields Rd, Darien) and my wife is Betsy Berardino.

For what it is worth I am not a big proponent of the proposed 7-11 on Post Road.

This is the last thing we need (also don't need any more banks and nail salons).

So I am against this if it matters.

Thanks!

Best,

Peter and Betsy Berardino
27 Shields Rd

Ginsberg, Jeremy

From: Stasha Cohen <stashc@optonline.net>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 12:38 PM
To: Ginsberg, Jeremy
Subject: Proposed development of 24-hour convenience store and gas station at Dutchess site

Dear Jeremy,

Mark and Stasha Cohen are writing to you in opposition of this proposed development in town. Replacing a small restaurant with a multi-use, 24-hour service station is detrimental to the entire town. The neighborhoods around the I95 Northbound and Southbound ramps will experience the worst effects: traffic congestion; air, noise and light pollution; and safety concerns surrounding a 24-hour facility.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns,

Mark and Stasha Cohen

Sent from my iPhone

Ginsberg, Jeremy

From: Angela Boyle Altoe <ang_boyle@hotmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, November 12, 2020 5:15 PM
To: Ginsberg, Jeremy
Subject: Opposition to 7-Eleven Gas Station

Please note my concern and strong opposition to the proposed redevelopment of the Duchess site with an unneeded additional gas station in this area.

Regards,
Angela Boyle Altoe
36 Coachlamp Lane
Darien, CT 06820

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